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REFERENCE TO "CHEMIST" BEING IN CHARGE OF "THE TEN"
AND ALSO TWO OF THE NEIGHBOUR'S GROUPS

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To VICTOR[i].

As CHEMIST [KhIMIK] has been appointed head man [STAROSTA] not only of THE TEN [DESYATKA] but also of two of the Neighbour's groups [SOSEDSKIE GRUPPY][ii] [he][a] has raised the question of why they are always expressing dissatisfaction and by endless chatter about "ours" and "yours" promoting the divergence of all three groups

[28 groups unrecovered]

....." liaison with us. [2 groups unrecovered] this is just bad for security [KONSPIRATSIYA]. I do not request [b] the Neighbour about this as he is very jealous towards us and would not do anything about it.

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In connection with MAKSIM's[iii] departure how often may one meet MAYOR [MER] and should I be the one to meet him? If

[24 groups unrecoverable]

only [C% in his presence]. Telegraph your decision.

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Bearing in mind OSPREY's [RYBOLOV] conscientious attitude to his work, *the volume of the information passed on by him and also his difficulties on account of his low* [10 groups unrecovered].

salary please confirm a monthly allowance to him of the sum of 50 dollars a month starting from June of this year. Telegraph your decision.

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MAY [MAJ][iv]

T.N.: [a] The subject is not made explicit in the Russian.

[b] Presumably some word has been omitted in the original. The Russian could not mean "I do not ask" or "I do not enquire of".

Comments: [i] VICTOR: possibly Lieut.-General Pavel M. FITIN.

[ii] SOSEDSKIE: probably to be taken as referring to "the Military Neighbours", i.e. the Red Army Intelligence Service.

[iii] MAKSIM: possibly Vasilij Mikhajlovich ZUBILIN.

[iv] MAJ: Pavel Ivanovich FEDOSIMOV.

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